GEORGIA BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF LICENSED DIETITIANS MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING JUNE 16, 2006

A Board Meeting of the Georgia Board of Examiners of Licensed Dietitians was held on June 16, 2006 at 10:00am at the Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia.

The following members were present:

Absent:

Tracey Neely, MS, RD, LD, Chair Joan Fischer, PhD, RD, LD, Vice Chair Nancy Walters, MMSc, RD, LD

Deedee Williams, Consumer Member Lula Hutchinson, RD,LD

Jessie Wright, MS,LD,RD,Cognizant

Ellen Jurgens, Liaison

Others Present:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director, Wylencia Monroe, Assistant Atty. General, Serena Gadson, Applications Specialist II, Yvonne LeSane, Applications Specialist I, Susan Griffin, Substitute Liaison for Ms. Jurgens, Jennifer Haskins, SOS/PLB Legal Section and Sheila Sryock, Board Secretary.

Ms. Neely established that a quorum of the Board was present and called the Board meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

Agenda: The Board reviewed and revised the Agenda. Dr. Fischer moved and Ms. Hutchinson seconded and the Board voted to approve the Agenda as revised.

<u>Minutes</u>: Ms. Wright moved and Dr. Fischer seconded and the Board voted to approve the Minutes of the April 28, 2006 meeting as amended.

Ms. Wright moved and Dr. Fischer seconded and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. §43-1-2(k)(1)(2), 43-1-19(h)(2)&(4), §43-1-2(k)(4) and 50-14-2(1) and to deliberate on Applications, receive information from Cognizant Report, Enforcement, and the Attorney General's Report. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Board members Fischer, Neely, Williams, Hutchinson, Wright and Walters. The Board concluded Executive Session in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

Probation Report:

<u>Heather Peebles</u>: Update provided. In compliance – next report due 6/30/06.

Amy Renee Jewell: Update provided. In compliance – next report due 6/30/06.

Dr. Fischer moved and Ms. Walters seconded and the Board voted to accept the probation report as presented.

Correspondence: NONE.

Executive Director Report:

Mr. Zimmerman discussed the following items of interest:

 The Governor's office representative recently contacted Mr. Zimmerman to inform the Board that someone will be appointed to fill the vacant "Public At Large" member of the Board. In addition, the Governors office is in receipt of a written request from the Board regarding the replacement of two retiring Board members the first of the year (2007); these appointments will be made as well.

Liaison Report:

Ms. Susan Griffin, in attendance this date for Board liaison E. Jurgens, reported that Mrs. Hutchinson "manned" the Boards "table" at the recent GDA Meeting. Mrs. Hutchinson added that she answered questions concerning renewals, complaints, time frames, and, that most people were just curious about the licensure process. Mrs. Hutchinson stated the workshops were informative and there was a good turn out on Thursday and Friday.

Nutrition Care Process/Order Writing:

Ms. Walters distributed handouts to all present for information purposes only at this time.

Open Complaint's Summary/Cognizant Report:

The Board chairperson previously requested Mr. Zimmerman provide the Board, at each meeting, with a brief update on all open complaint cases for the Diet Board in an effort to keep all present up to date prior to the reports presented by the Cognizant, Assistant Attorney General's office representative, and, the Investigation Section agent. An updated listing of all current open complaint cases was presented to the Board by Mr. Zimmerman. Discussion followed with input/recommendations by the Ms. Wright, Board Cognizant:

Ms. Williams moved and Ms. Hutchinson seconded and the Board voted to accept the following recommendations discussed regarding the open complaints:

DIET050044: Board voted to close complaint. No action

DIET050057: Board voted to refer to AG: Public Reprimand/\$300 Fine*

DIET050058: Board voted to close complaint w/ LOC*

*Ms. Walters recused herself from the vote on complaint's DIET050057 and 050058 due to personal knowledge of the respondents.

<u>DIET050060</u>: Board voted to close complaint. No action.

DIET050062: Board voted to close complaint w/ LOC/Rescinding Original Consent Order

Enforcement Report:

Mr. Zimmerman presented the following report provided by the Enforcement section as no agents were available this date:

<u>DIET050045</u>: Enforcement obtained a signed Cease & Desist Order

Ms. Wright motioned and Dr. Fischer seconded and the Board voted to accept the C&D/Close complaint.

Attorney General's Report:

<u>DIET050054</u>: Has not renewed. Unpaid fine – paid only \$100.00 on a \$500.00 fine - \$400.00 due. License not renewed to date; AG recommends closure of complaint case due to no jurisdiction in this case; flag file in event of a future reinstatement attempt.

Ms. Walters motioned and Ms. Fischer seconded and the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the AG and close this complaint case.

Board Policies:

Based on the Boards discussion this date, and the nature of one complaint (DIET050057), the Board developed the following policy with regard to individuals "aiding and abetting" Unlicensed Practice:

Ms. Hutchison moved and Dr. Fischer seconded and the Board voted to incorporate into the Board policies the following disciplinary action with regard to Georgia licensed Dietitians determined to have aided and abetted another in unlicensed practice:

- Issue a Public Reprimand
- \$300 Fine Minimum

In addition, the Board discussed a second policy with regard to reported DUI/DWI's by applicants that are seven (7) years or older for those applying for licensure for the first time in Georgia.

Ms. Williams moved and Ms. Hutchinson seconded and the Board voted to incorporate into the Board policies the following: The Board grants permission for licenses to be issued administratively for first time applicants <u>only</u> for licensure in Georgia who report a (<u>one</u>) DUI/DWI on their application that is seven (7) years or older, and, only if the application reveals <u>no other requirements/reasons for presentation to the Board for discussion/approval.</u>

Applications:

Ms. Walters moved and Ms. Hutchinson seconded and the Board voted to take the following action on applications for licensure by restoration:

Wright, Jill M. Gilson: Approved.

Dr. Fischer moved and Ms. Walters seconded and the Board voted to take the following action on applications for licensure by examination:

Walker, Jennifer Ann Maxey: Approved.

S.M.W.: Discussion tabled until applicant interview completed this date.

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After an appearance before the Board, and based on new information provided by the applicant, Ms. Walters moved and Ms. Wright seconded and the Board voted to issue the applicants license with a Letter of Concern to the applicant and the employer of record, and to rescind the initial consent order. The required letters shall be formulated by Mr. Zimmerman and Chairperson Neely, and approved by Ms. Monroe, Assistant Attorney General, before dissemination.

Ms. Walters moved and Ms. Hutchinson seconded and the Board voted to take the following action on an application pending approval of a consent agreement as presented by Ms. Haskins, SOS/PLB Legal department:

Corse, Heide S. Stutzinger: Accepted signed original Consent Order; Denied written/verbal request for private versus public reprimand.

Dr. Fischer moved and Ms. Walters seconded and the Board voted to ratify applications for licensure determined to have met licensure requirements between Board meetings as follows:

Riser, Donna Louise Brenegan, Colleen Mary Barnes, Ivorine Jesionek-Brewton, Kristie Helen Moomaw, Ashley Elizabeth Baldree, Karen Alicia Porzig, Mary Anne Bessette, Jennifer Sheryle Newton, Nancy June Gunnells, Laurel Channell Rabb, Kristi Diane Hardy, Trisha E. Reinstatement Wakeen, Barbara Anne Mayr, Mark Alfred Lively, Rhonda Rose	License No. LD003025 LD003026 LD003027 LD003029 LD003030 LD003031 LD003032 LD003033 LD003034 LD003035 LD003036 LD002337 LD002586 LD002321	4/20/2006 4/20/2006 4/20/2006 4/21/2006 4/25/2006 5/11/2006 5/11/2006 5/19/2006 5/22/2006 5/23/2006 5/30/2006 4/26/2006 4/27/2006 5/1/2006
Provisional Permits Gabinskaya, Lena Vladimirovna Davis, Shannon Leigh Grimm, Julia Elizabeth Florence, D'Jeanne Egli, Katie Lynn Rooks, Cherie Renee Griffey, Melissa Marie Jones, Ashley Erin Carter, Laura Sarah Orozco, David Richardo	LD002221	5/18/2006 Issue Date 5/3/2006 5/19/2006 5/22/2006 5/24/2006 5/30/2006 6/1/2006 6/1/2006 6/1/2006

Inactive Status: Written request for Inactive Status discussed.

Ms. Walters moved and Ms. Fischer seconded and the Board voted to grant the request for inactive status for the following:

Nancy E. Anderson, RD, LDN

Applicant Interview:

<u>S.M.W:</u> 2:00pm

Ms. Wright moved and Ms. Hutchinson seconded and the Board voted to adjourn at 3:00 p.m.

Minutes recorded by: Sheila Sryock, Board Secretary
Minutes reviewed and edited by: Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director

Tracey R. Neely, Chairperson

Mollie L. Fleeman, Division Director
Professional Licensing Boards Division